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As we discussed, please see attached proposed Amendment B.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the office action dated April 4, 2003, please enter the following
amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page
2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.